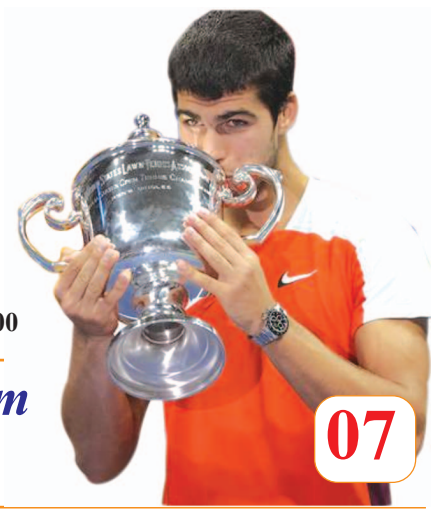




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Black net Assam Rising Guwahati, September 13 :

Assam Police on Tuesday have warned people who use black net instead of black tinting on vehicle windows. The police have warned people who use opaque black nets on their vehicle windows will be levied fines. They further said that these black nets are not same as Sunscreen and to avoid using it. The state police taking to twitter warned, "Black is Black, no matter what! It has been observed that some people are using Black Net in place of Black Tinting on Vehicle Windows. We want to reiterate that use of Black Film or Black Net on Vehicles, both attract Fines. Opaque Black Net is not the same as a Sunscreen."

Burmese supari Assam Rising Guwahati, September 13 :

Assam police on Tuesday seized a huge amount of Burmese supari at Lanka in Assam's Hojai district. As many as 78 sacks of Burmese supari were seized from a mini truck that was intercepted near Bamungao near Udali. Four persons were arrested in connection to the seizure, identified as Nazrul Islam, Narul Haque, Abdul Salam and Nurul Haque. It is learned that the sacks of the Burmese supari were being smuggled from Hailakandi to Doboka when it was intercepted by police. Meanwhile, a case under relevant sections has been registered against the four arrested persons.

Constable arrested Assam Rising Guwahati, September 13 :

Police arrested a constable at Changsari Police Station in Assam's Kamrup district on Tuesday. The accused, identified as Babul Ali, hailing from Mandakata was arrested on charges of involvement in cattle syndicate. Ali has been levied with 379/441/13/11 section under Indian Penal Code (IPC). Notably, Ali also contested as an independent candidate in 2011 State Legislative Assembly election from Kamalpur constituency. Meanwhile, the police have not revealed any other details regarding the arrest due to further investigation. It may be mentioned that since last few months Assam Police have been successful in rescuing cattle heads from across the state and arrest the accused.

Over 1500 youths joined militancy, nearly 8000 surrendered since 2016



Assam Rising Guwahati, September 13 :

Assam Chief Minister Dr Himanta Biswa Sarma said

more than 1500 youths of Assam have joined different militant organizations since 2016. CM Himanta informed the Assam Assembly that, a

total of 1561 youths of the state have joined five militant outfits since 2016. In a written reply to a query by Congress MLA Debabrata Saikia, the Assam Chief Minister said that 811 youths have joined NDFB from 2016 to 2022 while 164 youths joined NLFB (Bodo), 351 youths joined PDCK, 203 youths joined ULFA and 32 youths joined UPRF during the period. "During the period 7935 cadres of 23 different militant outfits surrendered and joined in the mainstream. Out of the 4516 cadres of NDFB, 465 cadres of NLFB, 915 cadres of KPLT, 388 cad-

res of PDCK, 378 cadres of UPLA, 246 cadres of KLNLF, 181 cadres of DNLA, 178 cadres of ADF, 169 cadres of UGPO, 105 cadres of ULFA, 87 cadres of NSLA, 77 cadres of TLA, 60 cadres of KLF have surrendered," Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma said in his written reply. The Assam Chief Minister also said that a total of 84 persons have been arrested for Jihadi activities in the state since 2016 when the BJP came to power in the state. The arrested persons were part of Islamic terrorist groups like Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB), Hizbul Mujahideen, and the Ansarullah Bangla Team (ABT). "10 arrested persons were associated with Madrasas and they were identified as Saiful Islam alias Harold alias Suman (Bangladeshi national), Mamunur Rashid (Barpeta

district), Mustafa alias Mufti Mustafa (Morigaon district), Abdus Subahan (Mornoi of Goalpara district), Jalaluddin Sheikh (Goalpara district), Abdus Subahan (Govindapur Chala of Goalpara district), Mufti Hafizur Rahman (Bongaigaon district), Ajmal Hussain (Guwahati), Akbar Ali (Barpeta district) and Abdul Kalam Azad (Barpeta district). These persons delivered speeches in Mosques, Madrasas, Jalapa, and Dharma Sabhas to motivate Muslim youths, and people to join Jihadi activities. They also distributed various booklets related to Jihadi and used sophisticated conversation apps such as Omemo, and Blabber for end-to-end communication," the Assam Chief Minister said.

Congress is finished, stop talking about the party: Arvind Kejriwal



New Delhi, September 13 :

AAP national convenor and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Tuesday made a scathing attack on Sonia Gandhi-led Congress party, saying the country's main opposition party is now FINISHED. Kejriwal, who was talking to reporters in Ahmedabad, said, "Congress is finished, stop taking Congress

party's question." The AAP chief said this when quizzed about Congress leader Ajoy Kumar's remark that the Punjab government is wasting money on advertisements when it does not have funds to pay the salaries of college professors. The Delhi CM, who promised to provide the people of Gujarat a "corruption-free"

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BSP too a family party now? Mayawati's nephew Akash Anand says



New Delhi, September 13 :

Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) president Mayawati has entrusted her nephew Akash Anand with the task of mobilising the party in the upcoming assembly elections in Gujarat, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh. Akash Anand, who is the party's national coordinator, has been directed to restructure the organisation in these states. Assembly polls in Gujarat will be held at the end of this year while Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh will go to polls in 2023. According to a party functionary, the assembly polls in these states will serve as a launch pad for Akash Anand who is being posi-

tioned as the number two in the BSP. Mayawati has been grooming her nephew in politics after he returned from London in 2017 where he was pursuing his MBA. In the 2019 Lok Sabha election, he managed the election campaign strategy of the BSP chief while in the 2022 Uttar Pradesh assembly election campaign, he handled social media activities of the party. Akash was appointed the BSP's national coordinator in 2019 when Mayawati rejigged the party organisation after breaking alliance with the Samajwadi Party. He is not a very visible face in the party but has been managing the party affairs from behind the scenes. He accompanied Mayawati during the election campaign and was also seen with her during election rallies. Akash has campaigned in MP during the municipal polls there. He addressed public meetings in various districts. In the meeting with party state unit leaders, he instructed them to raise public issues

and strengthen the organisation during a membership drive. In the 2018 polls, the BSP had failed to open its account in Madhya Pradesh though in the 2013 assembly election, it bagged four seats. At present, Akash is on a tour of Rajasthan and is holding meetings in various districts there. The BSP state unit organisation is being rejigged at the district level to galvanise the party cadre for the assembly election. The BSP, which had won six seats in the 2018 Rajasthan assembly election, has set focus on Jodhpur, Jaipur, Bharatpur, Dholpur, Sawai Madhopur, Nagaur, Ganganagar, Barmer, Sikar and Jhunjhunu districts which have large number of Dalit voters. Mayawati has directed Akash to hold meetings in various districts to collect feedback from the workers and to mobilise the party cadre for election. "The BSP has also set its focus on Gujarat where the assembly election will be held later this

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Election Commission declares 253 RUPPs as inactive

Bars them from availing benefits of the Symbol Order, 1968



New Delhi, September 13 :

In continuation of the earlier action initiated on May 25, 2022 for enforcing due compliances by Registered Un-

recognized Political Parties (RUPPs), the Election Commission of India led by Chief Election Commis-

sioner, Shri Rajiv Kumar and Election Commissioner Shri Anup Chandra Pandey today further delisted 86 non-existent RUPPs and declared additional 253 as 'Inactive RUPPs'. This action against 339 non-compliant RUPPs takes the tally to 537 defaulting RUPPs since May 25, 2022. As per statutory requirements under section 29A of the RP Act, every political party has to communicate any change in its name, head office, office bearers, address, PAN to the Commission without delay. 86 RUPPs have been found to be non-existent either after a physical verification carried out by the respective Chief Electoral Officers of concerned

States/UTs or based on report of undelivered letters/notices from Postal Authority sent to the registered address of concerned RUPP. It may be recalled that ECI had delisted 87 RUPPs and 111 RUPPs vide orders dated May 25, 2022 and June 20, 2022, thus totalling the number of delisted RUPPs to 284. This decision against 253 non-compliant RUPPs has been taken based on reports received from Chief Electoral Officers of seven states namely Bihar, Delhi, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Telangana & Uttar Pradesh. These 253 RUPPs have been declared

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After Queen Elizabeth's death, Odisha body claims 'Kohinoor' belongs to Lord Jagannath

Bhubaneswar, September 13 :

A socio-cultural organisation of Odisha has claimed that the Kohinoor diamond belonged to Lord Jagannath, and sought the intervention of President Droupadi Murmu for its return to the historic Puri temple from the United Kingdom. Following the death of Queen Elizabeth II, her son Prince Charles has become the King and, as per



norms, the 105-carat diamond will go to his wife the Duchess of Cornwall Camilla, who is the Queen consort. Shree Jagannath Sena, a Puri-based outfit, submitted a memorandum

to the President, seeking her intervention to facilitate the process of bringing back the Kohinoor diamond to the 12th-century shrine. "The Kohinoor diamond belongs to Sri Jagannath Bhagban. It

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'You are a Shudra, prostitute's son till you remain a Hindu': DMK leader A Raja

Chennai, September 13 :

DMK leader and former Union Minister, A Raja has made controversial remarks against the Hindu religion while addressing a public gathering, triggering a strong response from the BJP. While addressing the gathering organised by the Dravidar Kazhagam,

Raja said, "Who is a Hindu? We should have the right to assert... We don't wish to be Hindus, why are you keeping me as a Hindu?" "I haven't seen any religion like this. Lingayats in Karnataka are petitioning the Supreme Court saying that their way of worship and religious principles are different. They are asking themselves not to be de-

clared Hindu. But what is the Supreme Court saying? The Supreme Court is saying that if you aren't a Christian, Muslim, or Persian, you have to be a Hindu. Is there any other country having such cruelty?" he added. "You are a shudra till you remain a Hindu. You're the son of a

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King Charles makes first Parliament address as British monarch



New Delhi, September 13 :

King Charles told parliament on Monday he was "resolved faithfully to follow" the example set by his mother Queen Elizabeth, addressing lawmakers and peers in what he described as "the living and breathing instrument of our democracy". At a ceremony in Westminster Hall, the oldest building on

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Assam to bring new law to check human trafficking

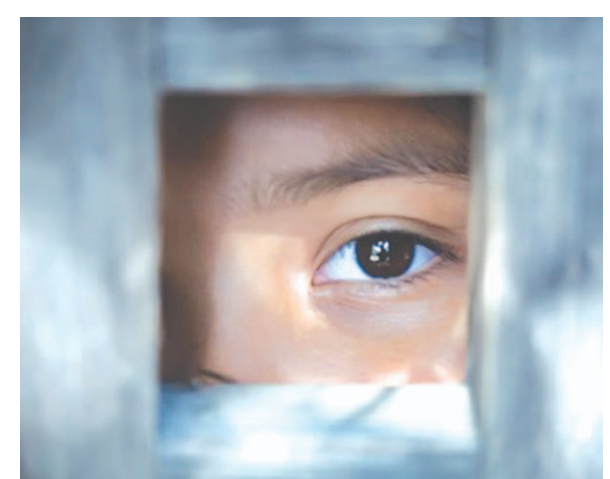
Assam Rising Guwahati, September 13 :

To check the increasing number of human trafficking cases in Assam, the government has planned to formulate a new law in the state. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Monday said that the new law will be introduced to protect those working as domestic help. He has claimed that this will ensure the safety of those

people and bring down the cases of human trafficking. Once the law would be tabled in the assembly, the households in the state employing domestic help may have to undergo police proceedings and follow a series of accountability measures, Chief Minister informed the state assembly. Sarma further said, "There is a mindset among the people that human trafficking happens only when a child or teenager is taken

to other states. But when the same person is taken out of his or her home to a different district or place inside the state boundary, we overlook it." Moreover, the Assam CM said that he believes that any child who is below 14 years and is separated from his or her parents is a kind of trafficking. The new law would hold the persons accountable if any kind of

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People take part in Moscow City Day celebrations in Moscow, Russia

Canadian advocates pledge to continue selling pure drugs amid overdose crisis

Toronto, September 13 : A Canadian advocacy group has pledged to continue selling cocaine, methamphetamine and heroin to users, in defiance of a federal government order to stop, arguing that their plan is the only way to save lives amid a nationwide drugs crisis. Over the last six years, more than 10,000 people have died from drug overdoses in the province of British Columbia, with the vast majority of deaths driven by impurities in street drugs. "We've just been driven to this point out of desperation," Eris Nyx of the volunteer-run Drug Users Liberation Front, told the Guardian. The group says it plans to fight Canada's public health agency after Ottawa rejected its proposal to supply pure drugs to users. Activists with the Drug User Liberation Front march in a protest demanding the legalization and regulation of drugs in Vancouver, British Columbia. Her group, alongside the Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users, recently asked Health Canada for an exemption to the Controlled Drugs and

Substances Act allowing them to procure and sell drugs. The application had the support of Vancouver city council, Vancouver Coastal Health, the BC Centre on Substance Use and the First Nations Health Authority. Given the intensity of the overdose crisis, the group asked for a grant to purchase drugs from the dark web, which they could test and then distribute to users. But Health Canada rejected the request in late July. "Health Canada cannot approve your proposed model of purchasing drugs over the dark web because of the associated public health and safety risks," wrote Jennifer Saxe, head of the agency's controlled substances directorate. Among other requirements, Saxe advised the group it needed to indicate a clear plan of distribution and a legal supplier of drugs. "The government basically gave us the middle finger and said we're accessing the illicit drug market - while simultaneously providing no substitute," said Nyx, adding that it was incredibly difficult to access legal heroin and cocaine. "You

need the exemption that they're denying us. And we're very explicit in our application - we would prefer to use the licit market. We're not criminals, we're just people that care about our community," she said. Because their bid for an exemption was unsuccessful, Health Canada reminded DULF they were breaking the law

worsen. "Local, provincial and federal governments have all expressed a desire solve a crisis that cuts across racial and socioeconomic lines. The federal government has signed off on a pilot project that would decriminalize - but not legalize - the possession of small amounts of illicit drugs in British Columbia, including possession of opioids, cocaine, methamphetamine and MDMA. The program is set to

cheapest, strongest substance is going to be what's on hand," said Nyx. "Prohibition does the exact same thing alcohol prohibition does, it increases the power of organized crime, and makes drugs more toxic." In recent years, fentanyl has been added to drugs, tainting the supply and leaving users unsure what they are

Monoacetylmorphine and 10% caffeine as the ingredients. "If you label people's drugs such they clearly indicate what a person is putting into their body, people won't be overdosing. No one takes more than they intend to take. Because they know what they're putting into their body and they know their people know their bodies. If you go to a bar, you don't ask for a whole bottle of tequila and slam it all back." The drugs, purchases through donations from community members, are sold at cost. In the month they have operated the pilot model, there have been zero overdoses, she says. The group plans to appeal the decision with the country's supreme court, arguing Health Canada's refusal to provide an exception violates two clauses Canada's charter of rights and freedoms: the right to life and a right to equal protection under the law. As their fight winds its way through the courts, DULF has no intention of stopping as long as the program appears to be working. "The problem is so bad, we need experimental solutions," said Nyx. "And we have a model that doesn't kill people."



by distributing drugs. But so far, no arrests have been made. "I signed an affidavit with the federal government telling them I'm trafficking drugs. And no one's coming to get us," said Nyx. "But at the same time, no one's coming to help us either." Nyx, who previously worked frontline worker, has seen the crisis steal away close friends. "Years ago, when I was working at the time as a frontline worker in a shelter, we would see one overdose every three months or so. Recently, it hit 10 overdoses a shift. That's how bad things are and it's only continued to

roll out in January 2023. A cyclist rides past hundreds of flags symbolizing the more than 10,000 people who have died of toxic drug overdoses in British Columbia. There are also safe injection sites in Vancouver, which give a space for users to consume drugs with the resources to test drugs and reverse an overdose. "You have a totally deregulated market, which pushes it to where the

consuming. In the 200 grams of drugs DULF has handed out in sold in the last month, all of which went to known drug users, the contents of the packages have been clearly labelled following rigorous testing. One reads: "100% methamphetamine. No cut. No buff." Another, for heroin, lists 80% diacetylmorphine, 10% 6-

Chinese pork prices surge to new high prompting authorities to act



Beijing, September 13 : The price of Chinese pork surged to a new high in August, prompting authorities to take the year's first dip into national meat reserves to ensure supply for the holidays. Pork costs in China rose an average of 22.5% last month, compared with last year. It followed the highest recorded month-on-month increase of 25.6% in July, as CPI also hit a two-year high of 2.7%. August's rise occurred despite an unexpected slowdown of CPI inflation to 2.5%. China is the world's biggest consumer of pork, and the country's government maintains a frozen "reserve" supply as part of a vital stabilisation policy. Before last weekend's mid-autumn festival and China's forthcoming National Day on 1 October, authorities said they were releasing some reserves for the first time this year. The staple meat is the most heavily

weighted item in the food basket used by economists to determine the nation's consumer price index, and the government reserve is maintained to ensure supply and price steadiness. In 2019, pork prices rose to a record high after an outbreak of African swine fever spread across the country. The recent rise has been attributed to high demand in holiday season, the high cost of feed, and the lagging impact of reduction in breeding stocks last year. People were also at home cooking more, some suggested. Chinese residents had been discouraged from travel because of several Covid outbreaks, and some have been under lockdown. "There are more people eating pork as they found leisure time to cook," said Ms Wang, a 53-year-old manufacturing worker in Zhuhai. "In this holiday season, families

and friends gather together to enjoy meals, so there is a growing need for pork." Some producers were also accused of holding on to stock, contributing to a shortfall in supply. In July, China's National Development and Reform Commission advised famers against an "irrational reluctance to sell", saying hoarding pigs to fatten them up or wait for better prices could lead to short-term shortages but also create a glut in the future. The reserves policy

involves extraordinary government intervention. In March, the government announced it was buying 38,000 tonnes of pork after prices fell. Ensuring price stability and supply was related to the "vital interests of the masses", said Dr Wang Zuli, an expert in pig production monitoring and early warnings, at the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences. "When the price of pork is low and the farmers lose severely, the government will boost the price of pigs by collecting and storing [

product]," he said. "When pork prices are high, the government will stabilise the price of pigs by releasing reserves." China's economy has been battered by an ongoing government "dynamic zero" Covid policy, in which sudden and random lockdowns or movement restrictions have been imposed across the country. Last month's slower growth in consumer prices was attributed in part to the lockdowns, and came as food prices rose 6.1% on year in August, after 6.3% in July.



A trader of live chickens is seen at Shola market in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Emmys 2022: Succession, Ted Lasso, The White Lotus triumph

Washington, September 13 : The Emmys offered few surprises but plenty of truncated speeches on Monday evening, in an awards-packed telecast that mostly handed out repeat trophies to established favorites with a few spoilers mixed in. During the three-hour telecast held at the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles, the Emmys once again crowned Succession, the 2020 best drama winner and most nominated series of the evening with 25, as best drama, and Apple TV+'s Ted Lasso as best comedy series. HBO's limited series The White Lotus, tied with Ted

Lasso for second with 20 nominations apiece, swept all the awards for which it was nominated (the ensemble series about privilege and perversion at Hawaiian resort submitted all its performers to the supporting categories). The bit-packed show, hosted by Saturday Night Live veteran Kenan Thompson, included several back-to-back wins - Hacks's Jean Smart for comedy actress, Ted Lasso's Jason Sudeikis for comedy actor and co-star Brett Goldstein as supporting - as well as repeat nods from previous years. Julia Garner tripled up on lead drama actress for the final season of Netflix's Ozark after wins in 2019 and



2020, while Zendaya, already the youngest best drama actress winner, became the youngest two-time acting winner in history for the second season of Euphoria. Noting that her "greatest wish for Euphoria was that it could help heal people", the 26-year-old Dune star acknowledged those who shared stories related to her character, Rue, who struggles with addiction in the prestige HBO teen soap. "To anyone who has loved a Rue, or feels like a Rue, I want you to know that I'm so grateful for your stories, and I carry them with me, and I carry them with her," she said. For the seventh year in a row, HBO's Last Week Tonight with John Oliver won best variety talk series as well as the genre's writing award. The night's spoilers to the clear favorites also offered the few rejoinders to the Emmys' lingering issues with diversity, a year after a

broadcast which handed no acting awards to people of color. Squid Game, the first non-English language series ever nominated for best drama, kept Succession from taking a full sweep with wins for director Hwang Dong-hyuk and star Lee Jung-jae, the first person to win an acting award for a non-English language performance. Pop singer Lizzo, who created the Amazon series Watch Out for The Big Grrrls, won for best competition series and underscored the importance of representation in an emotional speech. "When I was a little girl, all I wanted to see was someone like me in the media," she said through tears. "Someone fat like me, Black like me, beautiful like me. If I could go back and tell little Lizzo something, I would be like, 'You're going to see that person ... but, bitch, it's going to have to be you.'"

Google faces \$25bn lawsuit in UK and EU over digital advertising

London, September 13

: Google faces a \$25bn (£21.6bn) lawsuit in the UK and EU that accuses the tech firm of anticompetitive conduct in the digital advertising market. The company, which is a key player in the online ad market as well as being a dominant force in search, is accused of abusing its power in the ad tech market, which coordinates the sale of online advertising space between publishers and advertisers. "Publishers, including local and national news media who play a vital role in our society, have long been harmed by Google's anticompetitive conduct," said Damien Geradin, of the Belgian law firm Geradin Partners, which is involved in the EU case. "It is time that Google owns up to its responsibilities and pays back the damages it has caused to this important industry. That is why today we are announcing these actions across two jurisdictions to obtain compensation for EU and UK publishers." The UK law firm Humphries Kerstetter is planning to bring a case to the competition appeal tribunal over the next month, although the process could take years to reach a conclusion. The UK competition watchdog is also investigating Google's power in the digital advertising technology market.



CORRIGENDUM

This is to inform all concerned that the tender Notice vide No. CDR/01 of 2022-23 under Divisional Forest Officer, Chirang Division, Kajalgaon could not be published online in time on assamtenders.gov.in due to some technical issues. This same will be published online on 14/09/2022. The details may be seen at the website <https://assamtenders.gov.in> from 14/09/2022 and also in the office of the undersigned during office hours.

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Sd/- Divisional Forest Officer,
Chirang Division, Kajalgaon

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RE TENDER NOTICE

Separate sealed tenders affixing non-refundable court fee stamp of Rs. 8.25 (Rupees eight & paise twenty five) only are hereby invited from the Class-I, II, III contractors/Firm for civil works as detailed below under SOPD scheme Development of National Parks & Wildlife Sanctuary during 2020-21.

| SL No | Item of work | No of unit | Total Price Rs (in Lakh) | Location | Earnest money |
|-------------|---|------------|--------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| 1. | Repairing of elephant proof Trench from Dhodar Ali to Meleng Beat (approx.500m) | 1 | 3.00 | Hollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary under Mariani Range, Mariani | 2% for Gen. & 1 % for ST/SC /OBC |
| 2. | Renovation of Gibbon Camp | 1 | 2.50 | | |
| Grand Total | | | 5,50,000.00 | | |

The tender will be received from 16-09-2022 upto 4 PM on 07-10-2022 on all working days and will be opened on 10-10-2022 at 1 1:30 AM in the office of the Divisional Forest Officer, Jorhat Division. Jorhat which may be submitted in person or by post. In the event of any unusual occurrence due to strike, bandh, holiday etc the tender will be on the next working day at 1 1:30 AM.

Details / Particulars of the work may be seen in the office of the undersigned during Office hours and tender paper may be obtained from the office of the undersigned on any working days from 16-09-2022 upto 3:00 PM on 07-10-2022 on payment of Rs. 100.00 (one hundred) per tender paper and Rs. 5 (five) per tender form which is not refundable.

The works are to be completed within 60 days from the date of issue of the final work order. The acceptance of the tenders and issue of work order is subject to release of fund by the Govt. of Assam/Competent authority without thereby incurring any liabilities to the affected tenderers / any obligation to inform the affected tenderer of the grounds.

Divisional Forest Officer
Jorhat Division, Jorhat.

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Protest against Arunachal land aggression in Margherita



Assam Rising, Tinsukia, September 13: The BJP has been able to win the seats in Delhi and Dispur with the slogan of change but unfortunately now BJP government has become anti people and pro corporates such as Mukesh Ambani and Gautam Adani said Kanchan Borah General Secretary of Asom Jatiyatabadi Yuba Chatra Parishad (AJYCP) Tinsukia district committee while attending at a protest rally on Thursday where 13 student and youth organisations took part. Margherita Regional Student Union, Asom Jatiyotabadi Yuba Chatra Parishad, Satra Mukti Sangram Samity, Assam Tea Tribes Student Association, All Adivasi Students Association of Assam, All Assam Gorkha Student Union, All Assam Ahom Sabha, Tai Ahom Yuba Parishad Ahom, All Tai Ahom Student Union,

Mech Kachari Student Union, Sonowal Kachari Student Union, All Rabha Student Union and TMPK Margherita subdivision committee and Regional committee took part in the protest rally and shouted various slogans against the BJP led Government both at the centre and union. Kanchan Borah said that there are many villages in the hilly areas of Margherita sub-division that have been claiming to belong to Arunachal Pradesh for a long time but the administration has not taken any special action till date which few days ago the Chief minister of Assam Dr Himanta Biswa Sarma and Prema Khandu Chief minis-

ter of Arunachal Pradesh signed the Namsai Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) as part of the settlement of the long-standing border dispute between Assam and Arunachal Pradesh which we doubt about the Namsai agreement as after the inclusion of 6 villages to Arunachal Pradesh has increased by the people who are residing at Assam Arunachal Pradesh border area. The agreement excluded six

disputed villages in Assam. In fact, these six villages belong to Assam but the Arunachal people claimed that the villages belonged to Arunachal Pradesh against the people of different communities living in the villages. Representatives of the Assam government and Arunachal Pradesh government yesterday conducted an on-site investigation into the disputed villages and sought the views of the villagers but during the investigation, the people of six disputed villages Aisenkan, Yapakhan 1, Yapakhan 2, and Malou Village No. 3 and Sanju Wara, openly demanded the inclusion of the villages in Arunachal Pradesh said a ATTSA leader of Margherita regional committee. They also demanded the inclusion of a larger territory of Assam in Arunachal Pradesh which the area includes 1396 hectares of Lekhapani Reserve, 2940 hect-

ares of Chaleki Reserve, 445.15 hectares of Tipong Reserve, 166 hectares of Paharpur Reserve, 2015 hectares of Tirap Proposed Reserve and 2015 hectares of Dhahhlalai Proposed Reserve land said a member of AASAA Margherita regional committee. We demand Assam Government and Arunachal Pradesh Government counterparts to immediately resolve the border solution otherwise in the coming strong agitational programme shall be taken in Margherita region and if any untoward incident occurred both government shall be responsible for it said Chintu Gogoi of Margherita Regional Student Union. A memorandum was given to the chief minister of Assam through the Margherita Sub divisional (civil)



Freshers' social of Harhi College held

Assam Rising, Dhakuakhana, September 13: Harhi College, Dhakuakhana today held its 21st freshmen social to welcome the newcomers of the current year. The program started with a cleanliness drive followed by flag hoist. Pinku Goswami, president, College Students' Union hoisted the flag. The opening ceremony was presided over by Dr. Manash Jyoti Neog, Principal of the College

which was inaugurated by Arindam Baruah, SDO, Dhakuakhana. The event was also attended by the Vice-Principal of Dhakuakhana College Chitra Kumar Konch, Dr. Naba Kumar Handique, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Rajesh Chetia, Department of Political Science, Dr. Jitu Kumar Chamua, Associate Professor, Department of English, Pratima Chetia, Associate Professor, De-

partment of Assamese and Padmakanta Doley, Associate Professor, Department of Economics of the college, AASU leader Utpal Sharma and AASU central executive member Dhanmoni Dutta along with others. The event concluded with a cultural program by Tolukya Sonowal.

CID officer found dead in Guwahati hotel

Assam Rising, Guwahati, Sept 13 : An Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) of the crime investigation department (CID) officer was found dead under mysterious circumstances inside at a hotel in Guwahati on Tuesday. The deceased, identified as Nirmal Bhuyan, resident of Nalburi, was found dead at Hotel Bhagaban in the city's Bora service area. According to sources, since May 4, the deceased CID officer had been staying in the hotel. The cause of his death is yet to be ascertained. The hotel workers stated that Bhuyan occasionally had visitors over the time of four months, nothing out of the ordinary occurred. After receiving information police reached the scene and took stock of the situation. Further investigation into the matter is underway.

Body of woman found at Nagaon

Assam Rising, Nagaon, September 13: Body of one Esha Shiddika (52), a married woman of South Haibargaon RMB road in the town was found inside her residence this morning. The hands as well as feet of the victim woman were being tied with rope, sources said. Being informed, police from

Haibargaon outpost rushed to the spot and sent the body of the woman to Nagaon BP Civil Hospital for postmortem. Sources from Nagaon police suspected that the woman might have been killed by someone else after entering her residence for unknown reasons. Meanwhile police of the Haibargaon town outpost, started preliminary investigation into the sensational incident and found no clues about the miscreants behind the incident till the time of filing this report, sources added further.

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N. F. Railway Converts Old Train Coaches Into Restaurants

Assam Rising, Guwahati, September 13: With the proliferation of LHB coaches, the old coaches of Indian Railways are being pulled out from service. These old train coaches, whose operations are discontinued by the Railways, have been utilised for coach restaurants. Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) has also initiated to convert some of its old train coaches, which are not fit for use, by modifying them into restaurants. N. F. Railway has already opened one such coach restaurant at Katihar and another coach restaurant is also ready to make operational at New Jalpaiguri station area. Works for setting up of 15 more such coach restaurants at various locations over the five divisions have also been finalised. Setting up of two coach restaurants, one



each in Darjeeling and Jogbani of Katihar division have been finalised. In Alipurduar division, setting up of seven coach restaurants, one each at New Coochbehar, New Alipurduar, Madarihat, Lataguri, Chalsa, Raja Bhat

Khawa and New Mal has been finalised. Setting up of coach restaurants at Rangiya and Rangapara North of Rangiya division; three coach restaurants in Lumding division, two in Guwahati and one

in Diphu; and one coach restaurant at New Tinsukia of Tinsukia division has been finalised. Moreover, 43 locations over N. F. Rail-

way have been selected for introducing such coach restaurants. Coach restaurants are being planned and works are under progress at 6 locations in Katihar, 8 in Alipurduar, 14 in Rangiya, 11 in Lumding and 4 in Tinsukia divisions. The coach restaurants are being designed with aesthetic and beautifully heritage look for attraction of travellers. People can enjoy with family and friends to have ecstatic feeling while getting experience of dining in train coaches. There will be facilities to buy food, snacks and beverages at the coach restaurants. Apart from generating non-fare revenue for railways, this initiative of N. F. Railway is expected to create employment for both skilled and unskilled workers.

Two days National poetry Conference held at Ledo



Assam Rising, Margherita, September 13: The two days National Poetry Conference from September 12-13 held in Ledo, known as coal Queen of India which is organized by "Kavyadhvani" Assam in collaboration with at S.G Hub Tower Bargolai. The conference was held near the beautiful scenario of the famous Patkai Mountains. The conference was attended by renowned poets and poetess such as Dr. Suresh Pandey, Prashann Behera, Nahid Akhtar, Urana Basu, Pansuri Sinha, Chandan

Bhattacharya, Dr. Anik Chatterjee, Rajarshi Patranavish and Sarabjit Sarkar. The conference was attended by three renowned poets from Bangladesh and South Korea, Abumusa Arif Billa, Md. Akkash Ali and Aziz Rahman Taj. There are many poets from different parts of India as well as Assam who have participated in two days National poetry

Conference at Ledo. The program was inaugurated by Kavyadhvani President Dr. Ranjit Dutta in the Evening after a formal welcome ceremony for the poets and inaugurated by prominent poet Neelima Kumar and the Souvenir of this programme will be launched by Dr. Sachikanta Saikia, Principal, Kanai College, Dibrugarh.

Assam Rising, Deow, September 13: At least six persons have been arrested by police in connection with the robbery of two Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) at Demow in Assam's Sivasagar district. In September, one Punjab National Bank ATM at Nitai Path and another State Bank of India (SBI) ATM near central

market were vandalised. According to sources, the accused had looted over lakhs of rupees from the two ATMs. In the past days, the Demow Police conducted extensive search operations throughout the state in connection with the incident. As a result, police arrested six culprits. The arrested robbers have been

identified as Taruful Ali hailing from Hajo in Kamrup, Abdul Ahmed, a resident of Sivasagar, Amirul Islam from Nagaon, Irfanul Hussain from Dzing, Abdul Sattar and Aatur Rahman of Morigaon. Currently, the robbers are under the custody of the Demow Police. Further interrogation into the case is underway.

Universal Brotherhood Day Celebrated at LCC



Assam Rising, North Lakhimpur, September 13: The 109th anniversary of Swami Vivekananda's participation in the famous Chicago World Conference of Religions in 1893 was celebrated as Universal Brotherhood Day at Lakhimpur Commerce College, North Lakhimpur today. The event was organized in collaboration with the Lakhimpur branch of Vivekananda Kendra

Kanyakumari. The program was inaugurated by the Principal of the college Dr. Lohit Hazarika by lighting a lamp at the portrait of Swami Vivekananda. The meeting was attended by Dr. Binod Kalita, Retd. Professor, North Lakhimpur College who stated the objective of the meeting. The meeting was attended by retired acting

Principal of Lakhimpur Commerce College Jiten Sharma as the chief guest. The event was also attended by retired professor Kanan Sevak Khandetrai of Lakhimpur Girls' College as guest of honour. The program was moderated by Dr. Harini Patwari Das, Asst. Professor, English Department of the Lakhimpur Commerce College.

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The royal image

In Britain, there has been a whiff of decline in the air for a long time, temporarily masked by the cheap synthetic scent of Boris Johnson's cheerleader government. But it is now unmistakable. When people used to say the Queen was to be admired because "she does the job so well", I never quite understood what that meant. As far as I could see, her job was simply to turn up, go through protocols and not go off script. But the truth is that what others saw was a display of confidence, coherence and continuity, when the country she ruled over had little of these. Hers was a sanitising presence against a backdrop of wars, economic crises, Brexit and Covid. That's what a good head of state is meant to do, we are told: be there for moral support in times of national emergency, and stay out of it in moments of political upheaval. But the less she said, or the more she didn't say, the more she enveloped the country in a sleepy, warm embrace of unreality. That is gone now. There is a reason why, wherever you go in the world or whatever point you visit in history, different peoples who have never been in contact with each other come up with the same concept of a higher force. Whether it is one spiritual god or several animist ones, humans need to impose a sense of logic and higher purpose on their otherwise squalid existence. The near-deification of the Queen intensified as the country pulled further apart. The Queen's most important role, the one that cemented her as less a human and more a deity, was her softening the blows of loss of empire, of lowered flags, evacuated colonial administrators and defeated troops. She was Britannia, still imperious, not the grey postwar politicians grappling with austerity at home and the loss of Britain's superpower status abroad. In the royal family's wealth, pomp and grandeur, enough of a residue of that status, so vital to Britain's identity, endured. The jewel remained in her crown, if not in the empire. The more that status frayed, the more the Queen protected the country's id. In reality, there was no peaceful empire and grateful Commonwealth, that was always a fiction. The sun didn't set on the empire: occupation was ejected, often in bloody wars. An altogether different account of colonisation began to emerge when the people of the colonies came to Britain with their economic, racial and political legacies of empire. When the countries of the Commonwealth began to remove the Queen as their head of state, when calls to be more honest about the past began to grow louder. And when the royal family began to be talked of as a symbol of the causes of the country's hardwired inequalities - vast inherited wealth of dubious origin, some of it linked to the slave trade, scraping class deference, bloodline entitlement and unaccountability.

This is a Britain that has lost its Queen- and the luxury of denial about its past



This will be remembered as a watershed moment in British history for two reasons. First, for the death of Queen Elizabeth II. Second, for what happened next: the voices of those colonised in the name of the British crown being heard, not as a fringe, exceptional view, but as a clamouring chorus of global trauma. I had prepared for this moment as a time when I would not be free. I have no idea how I actually feel about the passing of Queen Elizabeth - the only British monarch I have known in my lifetime - because for all my life deference and admiration have been drilled into me as mandatory. I had expected that those of us minoritised in Britain would understand this as a test of our loyalty, patriotism and Good Immigrant status. We would therefore fall into two categories: those who sought to pass the test, by enthusiastically toeing the line of national mourning, and those too conscious of the harm Britain's

unequally on the descendants of empire. Yet as I write, our stories are continuing to be erased. During her reign, the BBC tells us, colonies "gained independence", but there's no mention of those who were imprisoned, shot and killed in the struggles - from the Gold Coast to Cyprus, India and Malaya - that were required to win it. This trauma is not recalled with a single voice. One of the effects of the empire that Queen Elizabeth personified is that it is unevenly remembered within our communities. People who were enslaved were taught that their

Afua Hirsch

assimilation into the culturally superior empire was a form of advancement. Families such as mine in Ghana experienced the violence of colonialism, and were then educated to believe it was justified. I will never forget visiting Independence Arch in Ghana. This was the nation proud to have been the first black African people to successfully break free from empire, and here was the physical focal point of that freedom - an archway bearing a symbolic black star. When I looked inside, I found a reality check: a plaque dedicated this freedom to none other than

Queen Elizabeth II. I understood it as a lesson that even in our freedom, we are not free. We are expected to be grateful for having been colonised. We are racialised, and then expected to prove that racism exists. Even as black British people continue to die at the hands of the state, such as the unarmed Chris Kaba, news of the black community's mourning is obscured by the more important story of royal mourning. To the extent that it's ever acknowledged that black lives matter, now is certainly not the time. Yet I sympathise with those who feel the Queen's loss. Under her reign, many latched on to the stabilising sense of cultural continuity. To lose that is to feel disrupted and uncertain. For me, it's a familiar anxiety - Britain's empire by definition redrew boundaries, and swept aside generations of tradition. Our parents and grandparents were recruited to Britain for its benefit, the terms and conditions of which my generation are still trying to make sense. We know how it feels to lack cultural continuity. Others in Britain enjoyed it at our expense. If continuity is an abstract subject, the other trappings of royal symbolism are more concrete. There were pompous reflections last week with the idea expressed in the Economist's obituary that the Queen "came from good Hanoverian blood". If that sounds like a white supremacist idea, that's because it is. When I

am attacked for applying reason to what is obviously an emotional situation, one of the allegations will be that I dare speak of race, when the real oppressor is class. And yet here we come to the other mainstay of royal ideology - the Queen was the class system personified. Her role, and that of the King who succeeds her, is to sit at the apex of a class system, in a hierarchy anointed by God. In some cases, it's hard to distinguish this from the idea that she was indeed a god herself - the British tabloids began seeing her omnipresence in rainbows and old-lady-with-a-hat-shaped clouds hovering benignly over the land. Change has come, but the systems of race and class that delineate our destinies have not. The genius of our monarchy is that it transforms people who have the most to gain from dismantling those systems into passionate subjects of the Crown instead. If it were possible to set all of this to one side, maybe I would like to mourn the Queen, the hard-working old lady who has been the symbol of my country for my, even my parents', entire lives. But I can't separate her from a reign that refused to acknowledge this reality, let alone attempt to change it. Nor do I get to opt out of the emotional labour of processing the memories that other British people refuse to acknowledge. Until now. Last week, Britain lost the luxury of long-lasting denial, at the same time as it lost its Queen.

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Why we should forget about the 1.5C global heating target

Keeping the global average temperature rise (since pre-industrial times) below 1.5C is widely regarded as critical if we are to sidestep dangerous, all-pervasive climate change. This idea of a 1.5C temperature threshold is in the news again because just-published research has revealed that several catastrophic climate tipping points are in danger of being crossed at around this level of warming, including collapse of the Greenland and west Antarctic ice sheets, which would lock in about 12 metres of sea-level rise. To have a fair chance of keeping this side of 1.5C, emissions have to fall by 45% in little more than 90 months, and I am on record as saying that this is practically impossible. But it's worse than that. It is perfectly feasible that we will crash through the 1.5C guardrail even earlier. The UK Met Office, for one, forecast in 2021 that there was at least a 40% chance that 1.5C would be breached temporarily at least once in the following five years. This means the average temperature would be above 1.5C

one year, but likely return below it the next - and we will fluctuate around that number before crossing it permanently some time in the future. In both 2016 and 2020, the Earth was 1.36C hotter than during pre-industrial times, so we are already getting disturbingly close. The development of El Niño conditions in the Pacific Ocean in the next year or two, which typically ramps up the level of

Bill Mc Guire

global heat, could well provide the final push that breaches the threshold. The idea of breaching "temporarily" opens a whole can of worms. Does one year of 1.5C mean we have breached the barrier or not? How many years of 1.5C or more of heating does there need to be before we have officially crashed through the guardrail? And how critical would this really be, anyway, in terms of real-world consequences? Maybe we are too fixated with this precise temperature rise. The fact is, while not exactly picked out of a hat, the 1.5C figure is an arbitrary one.

The exact level of temperature rise at which climate change becomes dangerous is simply not known. Indeed, the 33 million people displaced from their homes in Pakistan might justifiably say we have reached it already. As for tipping points, any or all of those flagged in the new research could happen at some point below 1.5C, so we may have crossed one or more already - only time will tell. Just as easily, we might need a 1.6C, 1.7C or even higher rise before the first runaway impacts of global heating are encountered. The key point, then, is not the precise value of the global average temperature rise, but the simple fact that it is continuing to rise. The climate system is so sensitive to additional heating that every fraction of a degree rise counts, so that every 0.1C rise is just as important as every other. Global heating is now translating into extreme weather rapidly: there has been a huge hike in these events over the last few years, during which time the global average temperature climbed by one- or two-tenths of a degree at most.

on the role of cooperatives, I dwelt on some interesting global collaborations: Consumer cooperatives in the Gulf with producer cooperatives like the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation (NAFED) in India for a long-term strategic partnership. My interest in this subject had been sufficiently kindled. Two years later, I joined the Ministry of Agriculture as a Joint Secretary and was also holding the additional charge as the MD of NAFED. I felt that the NAFED, Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative

Sanjeev Chopra

(IFFCO), Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) institutions, Export-Import (EXIM) Bank and our leading agribusiness organisations, including enterprising farmers, could join hands in taking up agriculture operations in countries of Central Asia, Latin America, and Africa where arable lands are aplenty. While enterprising individuals did set up these operations, they were sporadic efforts and not connected to the food security concerns of India, especially with respect to pulses and oilseeds in which we were deficient and commodities like onions that witnessed wide price fluctuations. Moreover, if India could supplement the production of cereals and horticulture crops, it would help address issues of food security globally. Another concern was the need to replace the water-guzzling rice-wheat-rice cycle in Punjab and Haryana with high-value agriculture (HVA) and dairying without impacting the availability of food under the Public Distribution System (PDS). Somewhere along the line, there was also a feeling that unless we moved fast enough, China will take over the best possible options as they were moving quite aggressively on this front. Then Union Agriculture Secretary P.K. Basu asked me to prepare a presentation on this subject. When the ministry was convinced that it was indeed a step in the right direction, it decided to get a comprehensive view on the subject by engaging with the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT) - a policy on this would require an assessment of trade practices, investment protocols, and an analysis of similar practices by other countries across the world. U.S. Bhatia, who had just relinquished his charge as



India's ambassador to the World Trade Organization (WTO),

was chosen to be the lead author for the study. In his report, he said, "Given the increasing volatility in international prices of food crops in recent years, it is essential that we explore more stable international opportunities for meeting our food needs. Therefore, offshore agriculture investments emerge as a necessary concomitant to India's policy framework for addressing food security. As only a small proportion of food production is internationally traded, a large country like India cannot depend on food imports to meet any shortages or deficits." The Ministry of Agriculture will obviously need to play the nodal role in the initiative in coordination with relevant ministries/agencies like the MEA, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Reserve Bank of India, Exim Bank. Given the importance of the matter, the Ministry of Agriculture may consider establishing dedicated divisions for Africa and Latin America. These divisions will maintain data on land availability and their agro-climatic conditions and continuously monitor the developments in host country policies, particularly those relating to land acquisitions, seed laws, import of capital equipment, re-export policies etc. This would enable the ministry to develop a country-wise matrix with identified variables that would assess

the opportunities, risks, and stability that would support potential Indian investors. "Contrary to the expectations of the Ministry of Agriculture, the report was frowned upon by the Ministry of Commerce, which felt that we were stepping into their domain

of foreign trade and commercial relations. While the response from our ambassadors in these countries was positive, the MEA was quite reticent. Unlike the PMO of today, which takes a call when a policy document is submitted to it, the report met with 'silence' because the general feeling was that as the ministry was headed by Sharad Pawar, credit could not be shared with him. In an irony of sorts, the minister who opposed it most vehemently, Anand Sharma, has now parted ways with the Congress. In fact, after all the efforts, it did not cross the inter-ministerial consultations for discussions in the Union Cabinet.

Letter to the Editor

No need of English Literature for school students

Dear Editor,

English Literature is one of the subjects for 5th Grade Students. We have to teach simple English to school students so as to enable them to understand Science and Social studies in English. They should be able to express themselves in English. Prose, Poetry, Drama, Literature etc need not be taught to these students. (They may opt for college.) Teaching arithmetics is enough for Mathematics. (Other aspects of Mathematics may be opted at college) Syllabus may be reduced. Subjects may be presented in simple English. There is no need for a high Vocabulary. Let us make School Education Enjoyable, not Burdensome.

K. Lakshman Rao
Visakhapatnam

A path of pride

Respected Sir,

With the inauguration of newly reconstructed road stretching from Rashtrapati Bhavan to India Gate, the Rajpath which was also known as Kingsway during British rule is now renamed as kartavya path. Alongwith that a 28 foot high statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose installed at the India Gate canopy, that replaced the mark of statue of British Monarch George V. The incident is very historical and break the prolonged chain of slavery. It is important that a nation should not forget its glorious past and always respect its heroes who devoted themselves for the country. The installation of Netaji's statue is a true tribute and shows a great respect for him. The kartavya path always signifies a duty towards the public by our representatives. It symbolizes public ownership and empowerment. Kartavya path is always a path of Pride for the people of India.

Gitesh Ch. Aryya
Nagaon

Kibithu Camp renamed Gen BipinRawat Military Garrison

Arunachal Pradesh. A majestic life-size mural of the General was also unveiled during the event. Kibithu is a small hamlet on the banks of the Lohit Valley in the Eastern most part of India. A circle under the Anjaw district of Arunachal Pradesh, Kibithu is also an important Military Camp of the Indian Army guarding the Line of Actual Control. His vision and foresight were instrumental in implementing the infrastructural development and social growth in the area, which greatly benefitted the local people. His untimely demise in December 2021 left an irreplaceable void in the country. The dedication ceremony has further synergized civil-military relations and is a befitting tribute to the first Chief of Defence Staff of India.

the status of Sikkim will be that of an associate state and not a full-fledged one. These two persons are igniting anti-national sentiments. This has caused a lot of apprehension among the Sikkimese people. Our protest today is to inform both the central and the state governments that the people of Sikkim will not tolerate any kind of aggression on Article 371F. This protest has been jointly organised by Sikkimese individuals, not by any political party or organisation."Sherpa added, "This is a symbolic protest not just against those two individuals, but anyone who has not understood the sense of Article 371F. They need to understand that Article 371F is a covenant. This is an agreement between the Government of India and the people of Sikkim, when Sikkim became a part of India on May 16, 1975. As per the 8th May Agreement of 1973, Article 371F was made. It is the protection of the political, economic, and social rights of the Sikkimese people."Sherpa appreciated the Bihari community's condemnation of the JantarMantar protestors. "The condemnation carried out by different Bihari organisations is a welcome step. Be it Bihari or Sikkimese, Nepali, Bhutia, or Lepcha communities, we all live in harmony in Sikkim. These two people tried to ignite disharmony amongst us and since they belong to Bihar, apprehension among people was obvious." Different Bihari organisations had come forward and distanced themselves from the two protestors, condemning the act."People have different opinions about Article 371F. If we do not speak about it today, it might fuel up the issue and more people could join them. Any dilution or any infringement to the Article 371F will take Sikkim to the post-merger period. Since our representatives and government are mute, the responsibility is on people like us to come forward and at least clarify our stand."Speaking on Sikkim Police's appeal to the people to not react to the JantarMantar protests, Sherpa said, "They should stick to law and order and not get involved in the political rights of the people. To protest against anything is within the democratic domain, it is well-defined in the Constitution of India, they should not tell people what to do and what not to do." Sherpa and the protestors extended support to Hamro Sikkim Party's BhairungBhutia and Sikkim SurakshaSamiti who have declared a protest in the coming days.

government's development work could make our state more developed, the chief minister assured that those who are affected by the road improvement work would be compensated for their loss. Later, the Chief Minister formally opened the Thadou Heritage Museum at Thadoulnpi-General Headquarters Complex at Keithelmanbi in Kangpokpi district. "Happy to formally open the Thadou Heritage Museum at Keithelmanbi (Champhai) Kangpokpi today. To preserve our diverse socio-cultural heritage, the state government has constructed various tribal museums in different parts of the state," Singh tweeted.

settlement is still pending in Court and before that no one should be allowed to carry out any construction

Communal clashes trigger tension in Killa, police car set afire

in the area. The trigger point of the clash was some maintenance work that was started on the land and invited backlash in the form of violence." In fact, heavy security has been deployed even in the night times as well to avert any untoward incident, Nath told to a media. "So far, eight to ten people have been hospitalized and all of them are out of danger. The injured persons include people from both the sides," he said. Tension prevailed in the area after people from the indigenous communities allegedly launched an attack on the Muslim settlement and started thrashing people indiscriminately. Women and children were also allegedly manhandled and assaulted. Tensions escalated when villagers retaliated and frenzied locals set a police car on fire. Massive police presence has been deployed in the area.

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Congress is finished, stop talking

government if the Aam Aadmi Party comes to power in the state, also alleged that it looks like the ruling BJP wants to make Sonia Gandhi "PM from the backdoor."The AAP convenor said this while responding to questions regarding BJP's claims that Narmada Bachao Andolan leader and activist Medha Patkar will be projected as AAP's Chief Minister candidate in Gujarat Assembly polls.Delhi CM said, "Saying that AAP is fielding Medha Patkar as a chief ministerial candidate in Gujarat is just like saying that BJP is going to project Sonia Gandhi as Prime Minister Narendra Modi's successor."The AAP's national convener announced that if his party voted to power in Gujarat, where the Assembly elections are due later this year, it will ensure its chief minister, ministers as well as lawmakers from other parties and government officers do not indulge in corruption and are jailed if caught doing so."Whosoever I met in Gujarat said there is corruption everywhere. One has to pay a bribe to get government work done. There is corruption at the lower level and at the top also there are scams. If one speaks against it, he is threatened...There is corruption and hooliganism everywhere in Gujarat," Kejriwal claimed while talking to reporters at a gathering in Ahmedabad.

Election Commission declares 253

inactive, as they have not responded to the letter/notice delivered to them and have not contested a single election either to the General Assembly of a State or the Parliament Election 2014 & 2019. These RUPPs have failed to comply with statutory requirements for more than 16 compliance steps since 2015 and are continuing to default.It is also noted that of the above 253 parties, 66 RUPPs actually applied for a common symbol as per para 10B of the Symbol's Order 1968 and did not contest the respective elections. It is pertinent to note that privilege of a common symbol is given to RUPP based upon an undertaking for putting up at least 5 percent of total candidates with regard to said legislative assembly election of a State. Possibility of such parties occupying the available pre-election political space by taking benefits of admissible entitlements without contesting elections cannot be ruled out. This also tends to crowd out the political parties actually contesting elections and also creating confusing situation for the voters.The Commission notes that the primary purpose of registration of political parties is contained in Section 29A which lists out privileges and advantages which accrue to an association once it gets registered as a political party and all such advantages and privileges are directly relatable to the said participation in the electoral processes. Accordingly, in the 13 (ii) (e) guidelines for registration of political parties issued by the Commission for condition of registration, reads as follows:"Declares that party must contest an election conducted by the Election Commission within five years of its registration and thereafter should continue to contest. (If the Party does not contest elections continuously for six years, the Party shall be taken off the list of registered parties)."The Commission is cognizant that compliances of the birth conditions, which are a combination of mandated and self-acknowledged provisions, are sine qua non for maintaining financial discipline, propriety, public accountability, transparency. The compliances work as the building blocks of a transparency mechanism for informing the voters of the affairs of the political parties necessary for making informed choices. In the absence of required compliances, the electorate and the Election Commission get blindsided. Further all these stated regulatory requirements have direct bearing on the Commission's constitutional mandate of conducting free, fair and transparent elections. In view of the foregoing, immediate corrective measures are warranted in larger public interest as well as for the purity of electoral democracy. Therefore, the Commission, in discharge of its mandate of ensuring just, free, fair & transparent electoral process hereby directs that:86 non-existent RUPPs, shall be deleted from the list of register of RUPPs and render themselves liable to be not entitled to have benefits under the Symbols Order, 1968.253 RUPPs are marked as 'Inactive RUPPs' in the register of RUPPs maintained by the commission under the section 29A of Representation of People Act, 1951.These 253 RUPPs shall not be eligible to avail any benefit of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968.Any party aggrieved from this, may approach the concerned Chief Electoral Officer/Election Commission within 30 days of the issue of this direction along with all evidences of existence, other legal and regulatory compliances including year wise (for all years under default) annual audited accounts, contribution report, expenditure report, updation of office bearers including authorized signatories for financial transactions (including bank account).Of these 253 RUPPs, 66 RUPPs which sought a common symbol under para 10B in various elections but did not set up any candidates for the respective general elections, shall need to further explain, in addition to (point iii above), as to why further action as mandated in "para 10 b of the Symbols Order making them liable for such punitive action as the Commission may consider appropriate" should not be taken.

After Queen Elizabeth's death

is now with the Queen of England. Kindly request our Prime Minister to take steps to bring it to India... As Maharaja Ranjit Singh donated it to Lord Jagannath in his will," Sena convener Priya Darsan Pattnaik said in the memorandum.Pattnaik claimed that Maharaja of Punjab Ranjit Singh had donated the diamond to the Puri Lord after he won a battle against Nadir Shah of Afghanistan.However, it was not handed over immediately. Ranjit Singh died in 1839 and, 10 years later, the British took the Kohinoor away from his son, Duleep Singh, though they were aware that it was bequeathed to Lord Jagannath at Puri, historian and researcher Anil Dhir told. Pattnaik asserted that after he sent a letter to the Queen in this regard, he received a communication from Buckingham Palace on October 19, 2016, asking him to appeal directly to the United Kingdom government as "Her Majesty acts on the advice of her ministers and remains strictly non-political at all times". A copy of that letter has been attached to the memorandum to the President, he said.Asked why he was silent on the issue for six years, Pattnaik said he was denied a Visa to visit England due to which he could not take up the matter further with the UK government.Sena's claim is justified though there are several claimants like Maharaja Ranjit Singh's heirs, Pakistan and Afghanistan, Dhir said."Maharaja Ranjit Singh's will before his death stated that he donated the Kohinoor to Lord Jagannath. The document was certified by a British Army officer, the proof of which is available at the National Archives in Delhi," said the historian.Odisha's ruling Biju Janata Dal (BJD) MP Bhupinder Singh had raised the issue of bringing the diamond back, in the Rajya Sabha in 2016.The BJP MLA of Puri, Jayant Sarangi, also said he would take up the matter in the Odisha Assembly.The Kohinoor diamond was "surrendered" by the Maharaja of Lahore to the then Queen of England and "not handed over" to the British nearly 170 years ago, the Archaeological Survey of India replied to an RTI query a few years ago.Author and historian William Dalrymple noted in his book, "Kohinoor" that child Sikh heir Duleep Singh regretted having surrendered the jewel to Queen Victoria. However, he also wished to give it to the Queen as a man.The Indian government's stand in the Supreme Court was that the diamond, estimated to cost over USD 200 million, was neither stolen nor "forcibly" taken by British rulers, but given to the East India Company by erstwhile rulers of Punjab.Considered to be one of the world's most precious gems, the Kohinoor was reportedly found in India in the 14th century during coal mining in the Kollur mine in South India.

Assam to bring new law to check

untoward incident happens to the domestic help."The employers of domestic help will be responsible for a teenager's education and health, as per the proposed law. People also have to mandatorily register their domestic help credentials with local police," Sarma added.As per the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) report, Assam recorded 149 cases of human trafficking in which 379 victims were rescued.The NCRB data has shown a constant rise in human trafficking cases in Assam over the last few years. In 2020, around 103 cases were registered in which 151 victims were rescued.In 2021, Assam recorded the second highest number of human trafficking cases amongst all states in the country.

BSP too a family party now?

year. Again, Akash is leading the party's fight to make inroads into the Dalit and tribal dominated areas. He has held a series of meetings," the party functionary said.

'You are a Shudra, prostitute's son till

prostitute till you remain a shudra. You are a Panchaman (Dalit) till you remain a Hindu. You're an untouchable till you remain a Hindu. How many of you wish to stay as children of prostitutes? How many of you wish to remain untouchables? Only if we are vocal about these questions, it will become elemental in breaking Sanathana (Sanatana Dharma)," the DMK leader said.Speaking at the event, A Raja said, "All individual institutions like Election commission, CBI, Supreme Court, Enforcement Directorate and even Parliament are being captive to this government. To show the truth, Viduthalai Magazine is much needed. Secularism, socialistic, and sovereign republic are what it has been said about India in the Constitution."A Raja's remarks evoked a sharp response from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). Taking to Twitter, Tamil Nadu BJP state president K Annamalai said, "Sorry state of political discourse in Tamil Nadu. DMK MP has yet again spewed hatred against one community with the sole aim of appeasing others. Very very unfortunate mindset of these political leaders who think they own Tamil Nadu."BJP Mahila Morcha national president Vanathi Sreenivasan, who is also an MLA from Coimbatore, also tweeted, "DMK MP A Raja has insulted the women and Hindus on numerous occasions. This time too he has spewed venom stating that Shudras are children of prostitutes and they will remain so until they remain in Hinduism."

King Charles makes first Parliament

the parliamentary estate, Charles used his address to the upper and lower houses of parliament to pay tribute to his mother and to pledge to uphold the principle of constitutional government."While very young, Her late Majesty pledged herself to serve her country and her people and to maintain the precious principles of constitutional government which lie at the heart of our nation. This vow she kept with unsurpassed devotion," he told the assembled lawmakers and peers."She set an example of selfless duty which, with God's help and your counsels, I am resolved faithfully to follow."The queen, aged 96, died at her home in Scotland on Thursday, setting in train a period of national mourning during which tens of thousands of Britons are expected to pay tribute to her. Charles, quoting William Shakespeare's description of Elizabeth I, said "she was 'a pattern to all Princes living'."The ceremony, where the speakers of the House of Lords and the House of Commons address the monarch either on their accession or at a jubilee, has taken place in the Palace of Westminster since Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897. Queen Elizabeth came to Westminster Hall on her own Diamond Jubilee, and Monday's ceremony took place in the light of a stained glass window installed on its north wall to mark that celebration in 2012.John McFall, Lord Speaker, told Charles the queen had been "both a leader to, and servant of, her people."Britain's system of constitutional monarchy and parliamentary democracy has operated since 1688, when parliament invited William of Orange to replace King James, establishing its primacy over the crown which monarchs since have had to respect.Charles paid tribute to parliament as "the living and breathing instrument of our democracy"."As I stand before you today, I cannot help but feel the weight of history that surrounds us, and which reminds us of the vital parliamentary traditions to which members of both Houses dedicate yourselves with a such personal commitment for the betterment of us all."

Subrata and Bitopan

Assam Rising, Palasbari,September 13: Subrata Kumar Goswami, a student of Aakash BYJU'S from VIP near Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International airport, has made the institute proud by becoming the Assam and North East topper by securing an impressive AIR 153 in the result of the prestigious National Entrance Examination (NEET) UG 2022. He obtained 695 out of 720 in the prestigious medical entrance examination. "I'm interested in becoming a cardiologist in future and researching cancer besides serving the people", said Subrata. He is also trying to get a seat at AIIMS in Delhi. Similarly, Bitopan Kalita, Dharapur area secured 10th position in the High School Leaving Certificate Examination (2019), scored 655 out of 720 marks in the National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test examination after studying on his own for three months without any home teacher or coaching centre. Bitopan is also interested in getting a seat in AIIMS Hospital in Delhi. He said that he would like to become a doctor in the future and try to improve the medical sector in Assam.

Pakistan faces fever medicine shortage amid rising Dengue cases

Karachi, September 13 : Pakistan continues to report more and more dengue virus cases daily, with panic and fear spreading among the public as a shortage of fever medicines has also surfaced, media reports said. In Pakistan's Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Balochistan, dengue has started to take a dangerous turn, Geo News reported. Karachi reported another death from dengue virus in the last 24 hours, with over 2,000 people affected in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa after excessive rains left breeding sites for mosquitoes, the report stated.The wards reserved for dengue patients in Karachi's hospitals have been full. Punjab reported 125 new cases of the mosquito-borne disease. Moreover, dengue claimed four lives in the province, data from the Health Department showed.Meanwhile, a shortage of medicine for fever remains persists in most areas of the country, with pharmacies in Punjab awaiting a resumption in the supply of the drug in Punjab for the last four weeks, Geo News reported. In Peshawar, the price of a leaf of fever pills has increased from Rs 17 to Rs 30.

Armenia claims at least 49 soldiers killed in clashes along border with Azerbaijan

London, September 13 : Armenia says at least 49 of its soldiers have been killed in clashes along the border with Azerbaijan, after a sharp escalation in hostilities that prompted Russia and the US to call for restraint. The stepping up of decades-old hostilities between the south Caucasus countries has fuelled fears that a second fully fledged war could break out in the post-Soviet world in addition to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.Armenia said several towns near the border with Azerbaijan, including Jermuk, Goris and Kapan, were being shelled in the early hours of Tuesday, and that it had responded to what it called a "large-scale provocation" by Azerbaijan.The Armenian prime minister, Nikol Pashinyan, accused Azerbaijan of attacking Armenian towns because it did not want to negotiate over the status of Nagorno-Karabakh, an enclave that is inside Azerbaijan but populated mainly by ethnic Armenians."The intensity of hostilities has decreased but attacks on one or two fronts from Azerbaijan continue," Pashinyan said in a speech to parliament, according to Russian media.Azerbaijan, which accused Armenia of carrying out intelligence activity along the border and moving weapons, said its military positions came under attack by Armenia. Azeri media reported that a ceasefire agreement had been broken almost immediately after being enforced early on Tuesday.Both Russia and the US called on Baku and Yerevan to observe restraint."As we have long made clear, there can be no military solution to the conflict," the US secretary of state, Antony Blinken, said in a statement. "We urge an end to any military hostilities immediately."The Russian foreign ministry said in a statement that the conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan "should be resolved exclusively through political and diplomatic means" Russia, which operates a military base in Armenia, sent thousands of peacekeepers to the region in 2020 as part of a deal to end six weeks of hostilities during which Azerbaijan made significant territorial gains in and around Nagorno-Karabakh.Moscow is a key power broker in the region and an ally of Yerevan through the Moscow-led Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO), which convened on Tuesday to discuss the situation. Turkey backs Azerbaijan.The defence ministers of Armenia and Russia spoke on Tuesday morning and agreed to take steps to stabilise the situation on the border.



Home minister Felix attended NEFTU's foundation day

Assam Rising, Aalo, September 8: Bamang Felix Home Minister, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj attended the 9th Foundation day of North East Frontier University (NEFTU) at Aalo. He was accompanied by Nyamar Karbak HMLA 27 Liro Moba, AC, Govt Spokesperson cum advisor Home, Tax & Excise and Narcotics, Kento Jini HMLA 31 Aalo east cum advisor to law and Justice GoAP, Penga Tato Deputy Commissioner Aalo, Abimanyu Paswal(IPS) Superintendent of Police Aalo etc. On the Occasion Bamang Felix Minister appreciated the land donors of the NEFTU. He said among various private universities for approval NEFTU Aalo was selected as a Private university Ten years Back. For the last 50 years the private of Siang belt served the state in various capacities for shaping Arunachal Pradesh specially in Bureaucrats and Technocrats. He advised the Students of the NEFTU to transform nation builders. During the speech he requested the District administration to monitor all the government's schemes and should not compromise on the quality of work. Once the fund is sanctioned it should be an asset of the society. He appreciated the teaching faculties and authority of Ram Krishnan Mission school and JN College Pasighat that these two Premier Institutions produced lots of Bureaucracies and Technocrats. During the day Minister Home Rural development & Panchayat raj inaugurated the long felt Women Police station at Aalo. He was accompanied by Minister Industry Textile & Handicraft Er. Tumke Bagra, HMLA Nyamar Karbak Govt spokesperson cum adviser to home, Kento Jini adviser Law & Justice, Penga Tato Deputy Commissioner Aalo, Abimanyu Paswal IPS SP Aalo, Mari Riba,IGP central Range, Commandant ITBP 20Bn DPS Rawat etc. The women police Station was long felt of the West Siang for which the dream came true on September 12. The women police station will function from the day of inauguration as directed by the Home Minister. The first Officer in Charge(OC) Of the Women Police Station is Jesek Pari. The Minister also Inaugurated the office of Commandant 2nd AAP Bn at Aalo. The Minister encouraged Pan Arunachal. Community clashes should be discouraged from the root. The Pan Arunachal concept should be brought to the campus of NEFTU. He appealed to the students not to take the drugs as it ruins the individual's life and worse effect on family and society as whole. Guest of Honour Nyamar Karbak HMLA cum Spokesperson cum adviser to Home said that SFS college & NEFTU is the backbone of West Siang District. He also assured to help from his side for the betterment of the university and colleges of West Siang. The value of modern education must be imbibed to the students and parents. He also assured to donate Books for the university Library. HMLA adv. Kento Jini, adviser to Law & Justice GoAP, also encouraged the students to focus on studying for a better tomorrow. He also assured to donate Law books for the university library. Deputy Commissioner West Siang Penga Tato appreciated the founding members of NEFTU. students from nearby districts are also availing the knowledge from this premiere institute. He appeals to the Vice Chancellor NEFTU Dr. Tejum Padu to make the University Campus as a Plastic free & Drugs free Zone. He advised the students to become future bureaucrats and technocrats where they can help the society. Dr/Er. Tomi Ete Chairman NEFTU thanks the visiting dignitaries. The permanent site of NEFTU is developing at Lipu Degi near Darka Village, he added. On September 12 last. The Minister Home, RD & PR Bamang Felix visited Kamba/Kamki and interacted with the ZPMs of West Siang Dist. During the interaction Session Minister inform the DC West Siang to Complete the remaining National Highway from Pangin Tri Junction to Aalo township before the Set of next Monsoon or Also he appeals the elected representative of West Siang, Leparada Lower Siang to use the Basar - Likabali road to check the Progress of the National Highway.

Diamond jubilee lecture held at Nagaon Girls' College

Assam Rising, Nagaon, September 13: The historic Nagaon Girls' college observed its 61th foundation day with a day-long programme on Monday last. On occasion of the day, the college also organized the diamond jubilee lecture. Ranjit Kumar Deba Goswami, former professor of Gauhati University graced the occasion as the chief resource person and delivered an elaborate and amazing lecture on the topic. The programme was chaired by retired professor Dr Tusheswar Nath, the president of the college governing body while Dr Balin Kr Bhuyan, the principal of the college delivered the welcome address. In his speech, professor Ranjit Kumar Deba Goswami said the history of Assam has been sliced into three portions terming respectively the Kumar Bhaskar Barman era, Shankari era and the 19th century renaissance era. During the programme, the college students welcomed the freshers or those newcomers of the college and also interacted with each other groups of the students. The programme was anchored by professor Dr Junali Mudoi while vote of thanks was delivered by Dr Amiya Pator, HoD, Department of Assamese, a release added.

Woman commits suicide in Barpeta, family alleges murder for dowry

Assam Rising, Barpeta, September 13: In a tragic incident, a woman was found hanging inside a room at her husband's residence in Assam's Barpeta district on Tuesday. As per reports, the family of the victim alleged dowry harassment. The victim's brother said that she got married to one named Mridul Haque nine months ago. He said that her mother-in-law used to torture her. They even asked them for gold jewellery, cars and many more as dowry. Since they were unable to give the same, her in-laws used to torture her mentally and physically. Her brother further stated that his mother tried to bring her back home following the torture she was getting at her husband's home. However, they threatened his sister and she refused to return. He further alleged that this is not a suicide but a planned murder. Her brother stated that her in-laws called to inform them of her suicide, but when they arrived, she was already brought down and the rope was removed from her neck. They might have strangled her with a rope and hanged her to make it appear as if she had committed suicide, he added. Kachumara Police rushed to the incident spot and sent the body to the police station and then sent it to Barpeta Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed Medical College Hospital for post-mortem examination. Meanwhile, the victim's family and All Assam Minority Students' Union (AMSU) have demanded strong action against the accused.

Nat Sciver's exit should tell women's cricket it has some thinking to do



Paris, September 13 : It's fine to be sad. It's fine to cry, even if it seems a little silly because, after all, it's not like you knew her personally. It's fine to feel bereft, disorientated, to sense the floor subsiding just a little. Equally, it's fine to feel nothing at all, perhaps even wonder what all the fuss is about. Though she meant different things to all of us, her loss will touch us all. And with any luck, she'll be back for the tour of

West Indies in December. Thursday morning dawned just like any other. Of course there had been vague rumblings throughout the summer that something wasn't quite right: public engagements scaled back, responsibilities delegated, the captaincy of the Trent Rockets passed on. Perhaps we should have recognised the red flags sooner. And yet when the news broke shortly before 7pm there was still that palpable sense of shock and bewilderment. One moment she was there. The next she was gone. The precise circumstances of Nat Sciver's sudden decision to take a break from cricket before this month's India white-ball series will and should remain private. And yet it feels an appropriate moment to discuss and

reflect on the legacy of this extraordinary woman who achieved so much, who came from a privileged upbringing but still had to brave many tempests during the course of her journey, who offer us nothing but hard work and a sense of duty, and yet who over time came to be seen not just as a versatile middle-order batter and handy purveyor of cutters and cross-seamers, but as a friend. Sciver is just 30 years old but has already played enough cricket to last a lifetime. And if she walked away from the sport tomorrow her body of work would still stand the test of time: World Cup and Ashes wins, one of the great World Cup final innings and one of the great women's Test match innings in the space of three months this year.

London, September 13 : Just one month ago, as the tennis tours swung to the North American hard court season at the beginning of August, Carlos Alcaraz was feeling burdened by his rapid success. The early stages of his rise had seemed so easy - he won big titles for fun, outperformed the likes of Novak Djokovic and Rafael Nadal, and the Spaniard flew up the rankings with a smile on his face. But now he was dealing with the baggage that accompanied his rise. The pressure and expectations, the shiny new target on his back. While Alcaraz put on a brave face and rolled with the punches during those events, he spoke frankly as he sat with the US Open trophy by his side and looked back on the past few months. "I lost the joy a little bit," he said. "I felt the pressure. I couldn't smile on-court which I'm

doing in every match, every tournament." The pressure he felt was reflected in his results. After taking numerous losses earlier in the summer to young players who were even more motivated to beat him, he fell in his first match in Montreal. In Cincinnati, he was outworked by Cameron Norrie in a tight quarter-final. He arrived in New York with the simple hope of recovering his joy: "I came here just to enjoy, you know? To smile on court, to enjoy playing tennis," he said. For Juan Carlos Ferrero, Alcaraz's coach, a possible solution to regaining his sense of freedom and happiness was simply to execute the style of play that would most evoke those feelings. They spent the days before the US Open working on Alcaraz approaching the net as much as he could, pouncing on short balls



and flitting into the forecourt. It is a reflection of Alcaraz's astounding, layered talents that he zoomed in on one facet of his style and used it to run through the tournament, win his first grand slam title and become the first ever teenage men's No 1. During his 6-4, 2-6, 7-6 (1), 6-3 win over Casper Ruud in the final, he served and volleyed 25 times alone. On the big points, Alcaraz had the clarity to continue moving forward, saving both set points in the pivotal third set with nerveless volleys. As his rise has continued, the Spaniard has received countless comparisons to the recent greats, Nadal, Djokovic and Roger Federer, his idol. It is understandable on one hand - some small details of his style are reminiscent of some of the Big Three. They are the only legends he has known and he has naturally studied them throughout

his development. Such comparisons are also lazy. Alcaraz is his own player, following his own path, and the brand of tennis he plays is unique in its own right. The style he has built through the combination of his athleticism, high-octane shot-making, his seemingly endless skillset and his explosiveness around the court is unlike anything that we have ever seen, as is true of the legends before him. With all that he has at his disposal, it is clear that Alcaraz has the ability to win many grand slam titles and establish himself as the dominant player of the next decade and more. But so much can happen over the course of a career - injuries, mental stagnation and even a great new rival. The landscape of tennis can quickly shift. Privacy Notice: Newsletters may contain info about charities, online ads, and content funded by outside parties.

For more information see our Privacy Policy. We use Google reCaptcha to protect our website and the Google Privacy Policy and Terms of Service apply. Any sustained success will rest on him continuing to evolve as a player, never falling into a comfort zone. He is already such a complete player, but he still has so much room to improve. Should he improve his serve and learn how to consistently hit his spots, for example, the rest of the world is in trouble. For Alcaraz, the biggest surprise of this first title run has been the resilience he constantly called upon. In his fourth round match against Marin Cilic, he trailed by a break early in the fifth. As he and Jannik Sinner traded blows for five hours 15 minutes until 2.50am in the quarter-final, he faced a match point at 5-4 in the fourth set on Sinner's serve. In the semi-final against Frances Tiafoe, the American reeled him back in multiple times. Each time he recovered and moved on. During every tough moment on the court, Alcaraz repeats three simple words to himself - the three Cs: "Cabeza, corazon, cojones." Head, heart and balls. His grandfather, Carlos Alcaraz Lerma, has repeated those words during every tournament since he was still just a child dreaming of future success. He has exemplified each quality in his career so far, and it has only just begun.

Worcester owners close to agreeing sale to secure Premiership club's future

London, September 13 : The Worcester Warriors owners are believed to be closing in on a deal to sell the club in a move that would preserve the club's future if it goes through. While the finer legal details were still to be worked through on Monday night and although the Rugby Football Union would still need to give its approval, it is understood staff have been told that a deal has been agreed in principle. If the sale is approved it would ensure Worcester's survival, just days before their first home match of the season - against Exeter on Sunday. Hosting that match at Sixways involves significant operational costs and up until now it has been unclear how they would be met. There is now confidence that the match can go ahead, however. On Saturday, after Worcester's defeat on the opening day of the season by London Irish, the director of rugby Steve Diamond revealed the owners - Jason Whittingham and Colin Goldring - had held positive talks with a potential buyer. The buyer has not been identified, and they would have to take on debts of around £25m, including a £6m tax bill which is due to be paid to HMRC before 6 October - the date of the club's winding up court appearance. As a result, there remains a degree of wariness from some members of staff that the deal will go through and on Saturday Diamond warned of "false dawns". Nonetheless,



if the sale is approved it would avoid the need for the club to be put into administration which would leave the Warriors facing relegation. Another interested party - a consortium led by the former chief executive Jim O'Toole and James Sandford - is only willing to proceed if the club is put into administration. On Monday

they released a statement calling for the government to put the club into administration, pledging to provide the funds to ensure Sunday's match goes ahead. Whittingham and Goldring have defiantly insisted they will not consider administration however and it is understood the impending deal is not with the

O'Toole consortium. "We and other key stakeholders remain resolute that the only viable solution to the current crisis is for the club to be entered into administration. We are ready, willing, and able to fund the administration process," read the earlier statement from the consortium. "With the current owners not willing to go down that path, that

decision now rests with the DCMS via their charge related to their significant loan. With this as our goal, it is pointless negotiating with the current owners as they remain focused on selling the club to address their pressing solvency issues. Privacy Notice: Newsletters may contain info about charities, online ads, and content funded by outside parties. For more information see our Privacy Policy. We use Google reCaptcha to protect our website and the Google Privacy Policy and Terms of Service apply. Crucially, we are on standby to start transferring funds to make Sunday happen if so required. We have a proactive plan to deal with the many small local businesses who are owed money. The same applies to Premiership Rugby and the Rugby Football Union in terms of penalties that the club may incur for entering administration in-season."

Klopp says Liverpool fans will respect minute's silence before facing Ajax

London, September 13 : Jürgen Klopp has said he expects Liverpool fans will respect a minute's silence in memory of the Queen when football resumes at Anfield on Tuesday. Liverpool have asked Uefa for permission to commemorate the late Queen before their Champions League fixture at home to Ajax.

Sections of the club's support booed the national anthem before the FA Cup and Carabao Cup finals at Wembley last season, raising questions over how a tribute to the monarch's death may be observed at Anfield. Klopp believes a minute's silence, if followed by Uefa, would be treated with respect and highlighted



Liverpool supporters' applause for Cristiano Ronaldo in the seventh minute of last season's game at Manchester United after the death of the player's newborn son. "I think it is the right thing to do but I don't think our people need any kind of advice from me for showing respect," said Klopp on the

proposed silence. "There are plenty of examples where our people showed exactly the right respect. One which surprised me and I was really proud of that moment was last season when we played Manchester United around a very sad situation with Cristiano Ronaldo's family.

Europa League tie at home to PSV on Thursday. However the other seven Premier League fixtures due to be played from Friday will go ahead, with Brighton v Crystal Palace having been postponed last week for unrelated reasons. The Guardian understands that the Football League is confident most of its weekend games will also be fulfilled after receiving assurances about policing levels at its matches. In a statement the Premier League said it had no option but to postpone three fixtures after extensive consultations with clubs, police, local Safety Advisory Groups and other relevant authorities. Two matches have also had their kick-off times moved, with Brentford v Arsenal on Sunday becoming a noon kick-



off and Everton v West Ham switching to 2.15pm. With an international break starting after this weekend, Leeds are due to go from 3 September to 2 October without a match and Brighton and Palace face almost identical situations. He midweek Champions League matches involving Liverpool, Manchester City, Spurs and Chelsea will take place. However Uefa said it had no option but to call off Arsenal v PSV due to "the severe limitations on police resources and organisational issues related to the ongoing events surrounding the national mourning for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II".





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Carlos Alcaraz beats Casper Ruud in US Open final to win first grand slam at age of 19

London, September 13 : Throughout this historic season, as he methodically climbed towards the top of his profession despite being a teenager in just his second full year on the ATP tour, Carlos Alcaraz was unfailingly clear about his objective: he was here to win grand slams. Not at some vague point in the future, or when he gained a little more experience, but now. He was ready. He has backed up his intentions every step of the way and on Sunday evening he capped off his wild, thrilling ride to his maiden grand slam title by withstanding an intense challenge from Casper Ruud before powering on with his shotmaking and athleticism. He beat his Norwegian opponent 6-4, 2-6, 7-6, 6-3 to capture the US Open - and a grand slam title - for the first time in his young career. "It's crazy for me. I've never thought that I was going to achieve something like that at 19 years old," Alcaraz said. "So everything has come so fast. For me it's unbelievable. It's something I dream since I was a kid, since I start playing tennis." Having spent much of the past few years breaking age records, he will now take the most impressive one of them of



all, one that could stand for a long time. Alcaraz will rise to world No 1 on Monday for the first time in his career, making him the youngest player to achieve the feat in ATP history. At 19 years and four months, the Spaniard is the first teenage No 1 the men's game has ever had and more than a year younger than the previous record holder, Lleyton Hewitt. The final marked the first time in the Open era that two players had faced each other with a maiden grand slam title and the No 1 ranking on the line. Alcaraz and 23-year-old Ruud, who reached the French Open final earlier this year, also contested the second-youngest grand slam final in the Open era in terms of player age, behind only the 1990 US Open between Andre Agassi and Pete Sampras. While he had played the best tennis at

this tournament by a considerable distance, Alcaraz could not have faced a more difficult week leading up to the final. Before the start of his match with Ruud, he had spent 20 hours and 20 minutes on court, and had contested three consecutive five-setters. The Spaniard had been spectacular, but he consistently complicated his path. As the final began this year, the question was whether he would eventually reach his physical limits. "I always say that there's no time to be tired," said Alcaraz, smiling. "In the finals of the grand slam or any tournament. You have to give everything on court, you have to give anything you have inside." Alcaraz started the match playing free, attacking tennis, un-

furling his full array of shots, constantly sweeping forward to the net. Despite falling a set behind, Ruud was resolute. The Norwegian absorbed and retrieved everything he could, remaining steady, making high percentage decisions when he attacked. In the process, Ruud came up with some sublime improvisational tennis, showing off his own hand skills in the cat-and-mouse points initiated by Alcaraz. By the end of the second set, Alcaraz was struggling slightly, attempting too many failed drop shots and making questionable decisions as Ruud collected the set 6-2. As Alcaraz's tennis seasawed at the beginning of the third set, Ruud began to serve well, injected more pace into his groundstrokes and imposed himself with his forehand. He made his move in a breathless game at 6-5, letting loose on his forehand from all parts of the court as he courageously generated two set points. With his back to the

wall, Alcaraz responded at the net, saving the first set point with a sweet forehand drop volley. Later in the game, a return from Ruud whizzed by Alcaraz as he tried to serve and volley, which produced a second set point. Without hesitation, the teenager attempted a serve and volley once again, this time executing a well-measured volley to save the set. It was audacious, and as he held serve with an overhead after a thrilling point, the crowd responded with a standing ovation. Ruud had thrown everything into breaking serve and he was immediately deflated. He played a dire tiebreak, his backhand letting him down badly. He had no further answers for the supreme, dynamic shotmaking of Alcaraz as he surged to victory. As Alcaraz collapsed to the ground, he sobbed into his hands as he thought of his mother and grandfather back home in Murcia. "I'm hungry for more. I want to be in the

top for many, many weeks. Hope many years," said Alcaraz. "I'm going to work hard again after this week, this amazing two weeks. I'm going to fight for have more of this." Not since the initial rise of Rafael Nadal, around the year of Alcaraz's birth in 2003, has an arrival to the very top of the sport felt so certain. It has been even more spectacular than anticipated, with Alcaraz showcasing many layers of his greatness over the course of the last two weeks, from his athleticism to his endless toolbox of shots to his nerve and the sheer joy he takes from the game. In a sport that often reduces teenagers to helpless cramping in their first years of contesting five-set matches, he has also shown a peerless durability throughout his 23 hours and 40 minutes on court. Alcaraz has given the world a thorough exhibition of his talent and potential, and there appears to be no limit to what he can achieve next.

Storm Sanders and John Peers break Australia's 21-year drought with US Open mixed doubles title



Washington, September 13 : John Peers and Storm Sanders have produced a memorable triumph at the US Open, becoming the first Australian pair to win the mixed doubles title in 21 years in their first grand slam together. The new combination had to battle from a set down to defeat Belgian Kirsten Flipkens and Frenchman Edouard Roger-Vasselin 4-6, 6-4 (10-7) in Saturday's high-quality final in New York. Their triumph continued the excellent series of Australian successes in grand slam doubles in 2022, which also featured the men's wins at the Australian Open (Thanasi Kokkinakis and Nick Kyrgios) and Wimbledon (Max Purcell and Matt Ebden). It was Queenslander Sanders' first grand slam victory while the 34-year-old Peers again demonstrated his long-standing doubles prowess in the Arthur Ashe Stadium as he also been inspired by the presence at court side of Australian Samantha Stosur, the 2011 US Open singles winner. "It's a pleasure to play in front of a champion like you," Sanders told her. Stosur, along with Ebden, had already been knocked out in the quarter-finals at Flushing Meadows by Flipkens and Roger-Vasselin but Sanders, quite brilliant at the start, and Peers looked in no mood for a repeat as they raced into a 3-0 lead.

mixed doubles champs at Flushing Meadows since Rennae Stubbs and Todd Woodbridge captured the 2001 title, while they also could celebrate a cool \$US163,000 (\$A238,000) payday. "I can't believe we're grand slam champions," beamed the 28-year-old Sanders, the Queensland left-hander who hails from Rockhampton, the town that produced the best southpaw of all, Rod Laver. Turning to Peers, Sanders, who also reached the women's doubles semis, told him: "It's crazy - thanks so much for playing with me ... To play on the biggest court in the world, it's been a memorable experience." For Melbourne's Peers, it was particularly sweet as he finally won a mixed doubles grand slam title at the 32nd time of asking, having delivered the winning ace in the tiebreak in front of watching wife and two daughters. "Stormy, we got one! Well done!" he told Sanders. Both had also been inspired by the presence at court side of Australian Samantha Stosur, the 2011 US Open singles winner. "It's a pleasure to play in front of a champion like you," Sanders told her. Stosur, along with Ebden, had already been knocked out in the quarter-finals at Flushing Meadows by Flipkens and Roger-Vasselin but Sanders, quite brilliant at the start, and Peers looked in no mood for a repeat as they raced into a 3-0 lead.

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F1 team chiefs and FIA hold summit over Italian GP safety car controversy

Monza, September 13 : Senior Formula One team managers with the FIA president Mohammed Ben Sulayem on Monday for a summit meeting, with the controversial finish to Sunday's Italian Grand Prix the agenda. Many team principals were angry at how the race ended behind the safety car and are insistent the FIA must change its regulations to avoid a repeat of the events. The race at Monza was won by Max Verstappen, who dominated but took the flag behind the safety car. It was deployed five laps from the end after Daniel Ricciardo's McLaren came to a halt on the track. There were not enough laps remaining to remove it and complete the closing up of the cars and then for the safety car to complete its two mandatory laps, all required by regulations, for racing to resume. The Formula One World Championship sporting summit had already been convened for Monza on Monday by the FIA but now events on Sunday will be brought to



the fore. The FIA was not at fault, having followed its own rules. This in itself was a sore point for many after the controversial ending to last year's Abu Dhabi GP which cost Lewis Hamilton a potential eighth title, when then FIA race director Michael Masi improvised on the rules to ensure a final lap of racing took place after a late safety car. Verstappen's Red Bull team principal Christian Horner, however, was insistent the sport should avoid finishing races behind the safety car and that it must be addressed as a matter of urgency by the FIA. "There are

lessons to learn, it goes against the principles of all we have discussed," he said. "It is not good to finish races under safety cars, if they had known they couldn't get it going they should have red-flagged it and restarted. They are all sitting down on Monday, all the team managers. The president is getting involved in that as well and I am sure this will be top of the agenda." Ferrari's team principal, Mattia Binotto, also criticised the FIA's decision but Toto Wolff, Hamilton's principal at Mercedes, pointedly noted that this time the FIA had at least followed its own rules.

Bernard Foley gets nod for Wallabies in Bledisloe Cup clash with All Blacks



Melbourne, September 13 : Wallabies flyhalf Bernard Foley will play his first Test in three years against the All Blacks in Melbourne on Thursday after Noah Lolesio was ruled out of the Bledisloe Cup clash by concussion. All Blacks coach Ian Foster, meanwhile, has made injury-forced changes to his forward pack but otherwise kept faith in a winning team as the defending champions look for back-to-back Rugby Championship wins. Reece Hodge talks with Jake Gordon during Australia's loss to South Africa at Allianz Stadium on Saturday. Foley, a 33-year-old veteran of 71 Tests who has been playing in Japan since the last World Cup, will be Australia's fourth starting flyhalf in eight Tests this season after Quade Cooper, James O'Connor and Lolesio. Lolesio and centre Hunter Paisami both suffered head knocks in the 24-8 loss to South Africa in Sydney in the last round of the championship, which left Australia with three wins in seven matches this year. Lalakai Foketi will win his third cap at inside centre in place of Paisami in another of the eight changes to the starting

lineup that Rennie put out for the two Tests against the Springboks. In other tweaks to the backline, Andrew Kellaway will play at fullback and Jake Gordon has earned his first start at scrumhalf of the season in place of Nic White. Rory Arnold is unavailable for both Thursday's match and the return game in Auckland next week as he awaits the birth of his first child, so Jed Holloway shifts from the back row to lock alongside Matt Phillip. Rob Leota and Pete Samu move up from the bench to start as blindside and openside flankers respectively with Fraser McReight, who struggled against the Springboks at the breakdown, named among the replacements. Taniel Tupou has not recovered from a calf injury sustained in the warm-up before Australia's last outing so Pone Fa'amausili will provide back up for tighthead prop Allan Alaalatoa. Another change among the front row forwards sees Dave Porecki starting at hooker in place of Folau Fainga'a, who appears to have paid the price for his sometimes inaccurate lineout throwing. For New Zealand, Hoskins Sotutu has replaced No 8 Ardie Savea after the powerhouse loose forward was excused from the Test to stay at home for the birth of his third

child. Scott Barrett has shifted from lock to replace blindside flanker Shannon Frizell, who was ruled out of Melbourne with a ribs injury from the 53-3 demolition of Argentina in Hamilton. Brodie Retallick has been promoted to start alongside fellow veteran lock Sam Whitelock, with loose forward Akira Ioane coming onto the bench in the only change to the reserves. The backline remains unchanged. All four teams can still win the tightest Rugby Championship for many years but Australia will be out of the running if they cannot at least take a losing bonus point at Marvel Stadium in the penultimate round. Any defeat would also end Australian hopes of wrestling the Bledisloe Cup out of New Zealand hands for the first time in two decades. The All Blacks, who have held the Bledisloe Cup trophy since 2003, will retain it for another year with victory in Melbourne.

Dubai Desert Classic loses sponsor amid Chris Kirchner fallout



London, September 13 : The fallout from Chris Kirchner's suspension by the American logistics firm

Slync has spread into golf, with the Dubai Desert Classic having lost its title sponsor. Slync agreed a multi-year deal

for the competition, starting in 2022, but the contract has now been ended after controversy involving Kirchner, the one-time bidder for Derby County. "We have reached an agreement with Slync regarding the termination of their agreements with us for various DP World Tour assets, including the Dubai Desert Classic title sponsorship," said a spokesperson for the DP World Tour. "The tournament will continue to be part of the Rolex Series and

we look forward to the 2023 edition from January 26-29 at Emirates Golf Club." Kirchner, formerly Slync's chair and chief executive, played in the pro-am alongside Rory McIlroy at this year's Desert Classic. He appeared in the same environment when LIV Golf made its debut at the Centurion Club in June. Around that time, he was making headlines for his pursuit of Derby which duly fell through. It was reported by Forbes in late July that

Kirchner had been suspended amid claims of staff going unpaid. Kirchner, who owned his own private jet, launched Slync in 2017 with the company valued at \$240m when securing funding from Blumberg Capital and Goldman Sachs. Albeit the DP World Tour would clearly like to coax a new sponsor, it is telling that it appears relaxed about hosting the next Desert Classic - complete with \$8m prize fund - from existing resource. When the

French Open lost its main sponsor, the Chinese HNA Group, after 2018 the tournament no longer had Rolex Series status with the purse slashed accordingly. Debate about the financial strength of the DP World Tour has been the natural consequence of the Saudi Arabian-backed LIV's move into the sport yet, in recent days, the Tour's chief executive, Keith Pelley, launched a robust defence of its current position.